

SUMTER COUNTY CAREER CENTER

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GRADES 9-12 Career Center

ENROLLMENT 682 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

2004

ABSOLUTE RATING:

EXCELLENT

Absolute Ratings of Career Centers

Excellent

33

Good

3

Average

3

Below Average

1

Unsatisfactory

0

IMPROVEMENT RATING:

EXCELLENT

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS:

YES

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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WWW.MYSCSCHOOLS.COM

WWW.SCEOC.ORG

PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2001	Excellent	N/A	N/A
2002	Excellent	Excellent	N/A
2003	Good	Unsatisfactory	Yes
2004	Excellent	Excellent	Yes

DEFINITIONS OF DISTRICT RATING TERMS

- Excellent - District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good - District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average - District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average - District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory - District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

DEFINITION OF ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

As required by the United States Department of Education, adequate yearly progress specifies that the state rating for career and technology centers must be Excellent, Good, Above Average, Average or Below Average.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Mastering Core Competencies			Receiving Diplomas			Place in Field		
	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%
	n	%		n	%		n	%	
All Students	608	74.5%	80.6%	145	96.6%	91.9%	303	94.7%	97.6%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	2	I/S	74.2%	2	I/S	86.3%	4	I/S	98.7%
Gender									
Male	330	67.9%	77.6%	75	100.0%	91.4%	131	94.2%	98.4%
Female	278	82.4%	84.3%	70	92.9%	92.4%	156	95.1%	96.5%
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	178	83.2%	85.9%	52	98.1%	95.3%	98	95.2%	98.2%
African-American	417	70.5%	73.3%	90	95.6%	86.6%	184	94.4%	96.5%
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	I/S	88.9%	1	I/S	96.6%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Hispanic	7	85.7%	83.3%	2	I/S	87.2%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	75.0%	0	N/A	100.0%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Migrant Status									
Migrant									
Non-migrant									
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	0	N/A	79.5%	0	N/A	81.0%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Non-Limited English Proficient	608	74.5%	81.1%	145	96.6%	92.0%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	394	71.8%	74.5%	80	93.8%	87.7%	120	96.8%	97.1%
Full-pay meals	214	79.4%	85.2%	65	100.0%	94.3%	167	93.3%	97.7%

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

DEFINITIONS OF PERFORMANCE RATING TERMS

- Mastering Core Competencies-The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at the center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.
- Graduation Rate-The percentage of 12th grade career and technology students who graduate in the spring.
- Placement Rate-The percentage of career and technology completers available for placement over a 3-year period who are actually placed in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
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Students (n= 682)

With disabilities other than speech	1.2%	No change	1.7%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	11.7%	Down from 13.3%	16.7%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	682	No change	561
Students participating in worked-based experiences	35.6%	Up from 29.3%	35.5%

Teachers (n= 17)

Teachers with advanced degrees	17.6%	Up from 15.8%	25.0%
Continuing contract teachers	41.2%	Down from 78.9%	79.2%
Highly qualified teachers**	N/A	N/A	89.2%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	25.0%		8.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.9%	Down from 90.3%	89.8%
Teacher attendance rate	93.6%	Down from 96.1%	95.8%
Average teacher salary	\$41,632	Down 1.1%	\$42,385
Prof. development days/teacher	15.1 days	Down from 17.4 days	11.5 days

School

Director's years at Center	5.0	Up from 4.0	5.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$3,190	Up 23.1%	\$3,331
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	41.4%	Down from 44.4%	54.0%
Parents attending conferences	33.0%	Down from 34.5%	83.3%
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools**	N/A	92.0%
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools**	N/A	91.1%

**NOTE: The verification process was not completed for the year reported; therefore the count of highly qualified teachers may not be accurate.

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Sumter County Career Center proudly serves students from two school districts in Sumter County (Sumter Two and 17), providing career and technical training that prepares them for success in their chosen career fields.

The multi-district center began service to students in 1973. A board of trustees governs the center. This Board is comprised of two representatives of each district's board of trustees, three business and industry persons appointed by the area Legislative Delegation, and four ex-officio members: the president of the local technical college, one representative from county council, and two district superintendents. The center currently serves three high schools with around 600 students in attendance (enrolled). The center employs 27 full-time employees, including instructional, administrative, clerical, and custodial staff.

The career center's student population is relatively consistent with the feeder schools' populations in terms of racial makeup, free-lunch recipients, and other demographics. The county offers numerous opportunities for students to pursue higher education with the Sumter campuses of USC, Morris College, and Central Carolina Technical College. The center consistently places an impressive number of completers/graduates in the workforce as required by state mandates.

Over the past several years, we have significantly improved articulation with our state technical colleges and have collaborated with some for dual credit acquisition.

Todd Kirkley, Chair of School Improvement Council
Furman Vaughn, Director of Sumter County Career Center

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	14	118	12
Percent satisfied with learning environment	64.3%	89.0%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	78.6%	85.3%	81.8%
Percent satisfied with home-school relations	50.0%	84.3%	63.6%

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.